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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Patton et al.

Atty Dkt No.: NOVLP016C1/NVLS-
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Application No.: 10/693,223

Examiner: Nguyen, H.

Filed: October 24, 2003

Group: 2812

Title: SEQUENTIAL STATION TOOL FOR
WET PROCESSING OF
SEMICONDUCTOR WAFERS

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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450


Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.
The fee has been calculated as shown below.

	Claims After Amendment		Highest Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Small Entity Rate Fee	Large Entity Rate Fee
Total Claims	13	MINUS	27		x 25 =	x 50 = 0.00
Independent Claims	2	MINUS	3		x 100 =	x 200 = 0.00
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Total					\$	\$0.00

- ☒ Applicant(s) hereby petition for a 1 month extension(s) of time to respond to the aforementioned Office Action.
- ☒ Applicant(s) believe that no (additional) Extension of Time is required; however, if it is determined that such an extension is required, Applicant(s) hereby petition that such an extension be granted and authorize the Commissioner to charge the required fees for an Extension of Time under 37 CFR 1.136 to Deposit Account No. 500388.
- ☐ Enclosed is our Check No. _____ in the amount of \$ _____ to cover the additional claim fee and/or extension of time fees.
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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 14, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims appear in the Listing of Claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.